

I am deeply concerned by Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary just days before the election. Isn't this a clear violation of federal election laws and also, a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation?

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

I urge you to immediately investigate Sinclair's planned actions and take steps to sanction Sinclair for their obvious disregard for FCC regulations. If they do follow through with their plans to broadcast this upcoming program, I also encourage you and the FCC to strongly penalize them and consider stricter requirements for Sinclair's broadcast license renewal.

We need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. If other companies like Sinclair violate FCC regulations it is at the expense of the public and is in great contradiction of the very purpose of the existence of the FCC.
Thank you.